



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION MEMORIAL DAY

- WHEREAS: On Memorial Day, America undertakes its solemn duty to remember the brave Americans who sacrificed their lives for the cause of freedom and the security of our nation; and
- WHEREAS: We are constantly reminded that there are those in the world who would attempt to deprive us of our freedom and undermine our nation's very foundation; and
- WHEREAS: Military men and women from Georgia have served our nation throughout American history. Since 1900, 11,268 Georgians lost their lives in action in WWI, WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, and the War in Iraq and Afghanistan. An additional 621 Georgians are missing in action from those wars and remain unaccounted for; and
- WHEREAS: By honoring these proud Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen lost throughout our country's history, we renew our commitment to upholding the democratic ideals they fought and died to preserve; and
- WHEREAS: The citizens of Georgia must never take for granted our privileges and freedom or forget to give thanks and honor to those who risk their lives so that we may enjoy our many blessings; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 29, 2017, as MEMORIAL DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 18th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

CHIEF OF STAFF